

**SENATE, No. 2800**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**212th LEGISLATURE**

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**District 21 (Essex, Morris, Somerset and Union)**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Provides unemployment benefits for certain veterans.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1    **AN ACT** providing unemployment benefits for certain veterans and  
2       supplementing Title 43 of the Revised Statutes.

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4       **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
5       *of New Jersey:*

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7       1. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, any individual  
8       who is an honorably discharged veteran, as defined in P.L.1947,  
9       c.263, c.1 (C.38:18A-1 et seq.), who is unemployed during the 52  
10      week period following the honorable discharge, as provided in  
11      subsection (m) of R.S.43:21-19, shall be entitled to receive  
12      unemployment benefits under R.S.43:21-1 et seq. for the maximum  
13      total amount of 26 times the individual's weekly benefit rate in any  
14      benefit year, regardless of the number of base weeks worked or the  
15      amount of contributions paid by the individual or any employer of  
16      the individual.

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18      2. The unemployment benefits provided pursuant to section 1 of  
19      this act shall supplement the benefits payable to ex-service  
20      members pursuant to 5 U.S.C. s.8501 et seq., so that the maximum  
21      total benefit amount of State and federal unemployment benefits  
22      received is 26 times the individual's weekly benefit rate in any  
23      benefit year. The benefits paid pursuant to section 1 of this act  
24      shall not be paid for any week which occurs prior to the individual  
25      exhausting benefits paid pursuant to 5 U.S.C. s.8501 et seq.

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27      3. This act shall take effect 60 days after enactment.

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#### STATEMENT

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32      This bill provides qualified unemployed honorably discharged  
33      veterans with 26 weeks of unemployment insurance benefits  
34      regardless of the number of base weeks worked or the amount of  
35      contributions paid by the individual or any employer of the  
36      individual. The 26 week State benefit will supplement the benefits  
37      payable to ex-service members pursuant to the federal law and will  
38      not be paid to an individual until these benefits are exhausted.